lages (including the PPO villages).

(b) *In the Hily, Tribal, Desert and Inaccessible areas;*

500 population in an individual village or 1000 population in a group of villages.

(ii) *Distance:*

(a) *In normal areas:*

The minimum distance from the nearest existing post office will be 3 Kms.

(b) *In Hilly. Tribal, desert and Inaccessible areas:*

The distance limit will be the same as above except that in hilly areas, the minmum distance limit can be relaxed by the Directorate in cases where such relaxation is warranted by special circumstances which should be clearly explained while submitting a proposal.

(iii) *Anticipated income:*

(a) *In normal areas:*

The minimum anticipated revenue will be 33 1/3 % of cost

(b) *In hilly, tribal, desert and Inaccessible areas"*

The minmum anticipated income will be 15% of the cost.

Departmental sub post offices (plan)

Since Novem 1987 departmental sub post offices are also sanctioned under the Plan scheme subject to the following conditions:-

(i) the scheme covers departmental sub offices to be set up in project areas, new industrial estates/townships/satellite colonies developed in the periphery of cities/urban agglomerations and other similar developments which have come up in new areas in pursuance of the Plan activities of State and Central Government departments and agencies. In other words, the concept of Postal sector plan to be enlarged to cover the postal infrastructure required for the overall National Plan.

(ii) The proposed sub office should have a minimum anticipated work-load 0f 5 hours per day.

(iii) While departmental sub offices are expected to be financially self-supporting, in rural areas a loss up to Rs. 2400/- per annum is allowed (Rs. 4800/ - in hilly/ backward/tribal areas).

[*English*]

Same day Postal Service in Kerala

5114. SHRI V.S. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to introduce same day postal service in more centres of Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the places indentified in the State for this purpose?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RNGAYYA NAIDU): (a) No, Sir. At the moment Union Government does not propose to introduce same day Postal Service in more centres of Kerala.